

officials investigating the case and has demanded increased security for employees at both the Karachi Consulate and the Saudi Embassy in Islamabad.

## EDUCATION

### **PNU becomes largest women's university in the world**

King Abdullah graced the opening ceremony of the Princess Nora bint Abdulrahman University [PNU] for Girls on May 15. Located approximately 15 miles east of Riyadh, the school cost more than \$5.33 billion to build. PNU can enroll up to 50,000 students, making it the largest women's university in the world. It encompasses 15 colleges, a 700-bed hospital, research centers specializing in nanotechnology, information technology and bioscience, several laboratories, a conference hall, a library with 5 million books and journals and 1,400 villas and other housing facilities.

## EMBASSY FUNCTIONS

### **Embassy opens doors to public**

The Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia in Washington opened its doors on May 14 to the public, offering cultural and educational activities as part of the third annual Passport DC cultural tourism program. More than 1,800 people attended this year's events.

The event featured a slideshow presentation about the Kingdom, Saudi coffee and dates, Kabsa, a traditional Saudi meal, Henna art, Saudi music and folk dancing. Visitors had the opportunity to learn about the history, development and culture of Saudi Arabia, while enjoying displays, exhibitions and live performances. Staff members of the Embassy and the Cultural Attaché Office, along with a number of Saudi students, were on hand to guide visitors through the various displays.

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